

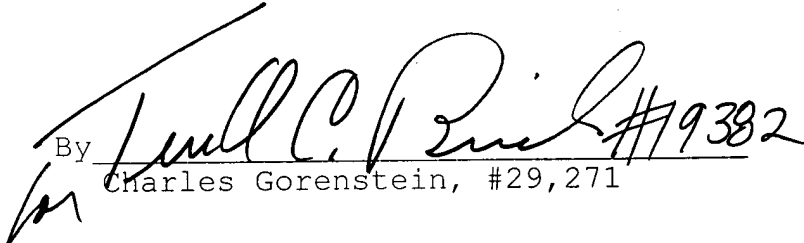
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Respectfully submitted,

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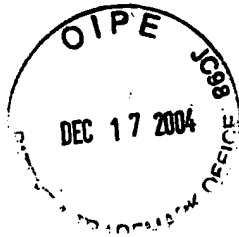
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Applicant: Takeshi MAKIYAMA et al. Conf.: 3080
Appl. No.: 10/729,158 Group: 2621
Filed: December 8, 2003 Examiner: Ishrat Sherali
For: DECODING APPARATUS USING TOOL INFORMATION
FOR CONSTRUCTING A DECODING ALGORITHM (AS
AMENDED)

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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December 17, 2004

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated September 22, 2004, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes Amendments to the Claims; Remarks.